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~~This application relates to the following co-pending United States Patent Application, incorporates them by reference in their entirety and is assigned to the assignee of the present invention:~~

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Serial No.:	Filing Date:	Inventors:	Title:
<u>09/536,541</u>	<u>03/28/00</u>	Ashdown et al.	Intelligent Communications Point Platform
<u>09/537,016</u>	<u>03/28/00</u>	Ashdown et al.	System and Method for a Local Number Portability Cache
09/391,295	09/07/99	Ashdown et al.	SS7 Firewall System.